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SUBJECT: SOCIALISTS REPORT ON RECENT PLENUM

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1. SOCIALIST PARTY (PS) SECGEN CARLOS ALTAMIRANO HELD PRESS CONFERENCE APR 4 DEVOTED LARGELY TO READING LENGTHY DOCUMENT (SUMMARY IN FBIS) ON SUBJECTS ALLEGEDLY DISCUSSED DURING MARCH 28-31 PS PLENUM (REFTEL). DOCUMENT GENERALLY REITERATED KNOWN PS POSITIONS AND BROKE NO NEW GROUND. IT PREDICTED INCREASED ECONOMIC DIFFICULTIES IN NEXT FEW MONTHS CENTERING AROUND PRODUCTION LEVELS AND DISTRIBUTION OF CONSUMER GOODS, THEN CALLED FOR " SINGLE AND NATIONAL ADMINISTRATION" OF GOVT ECONOMIC POLICY. PS URGED INTENSIFICATION OF " IDEOLOGICAL STRUGGLE AMONG THE MASSES," " COMPLETION" OF GOVT- CONTROLLED SECTOR OF ECONOMY BY TAKING OVER " MONOPOLISTIC AND STRATEGIC" ENTERPRISES INCLUDING WHOLESALERS (I. E. CENADI), " POPULAR" PARTICIPATION IN SUCH ACTIVITIES AS FOODSTUFFS DISTRIBUTION, CONTINUED STRESS ON " ANTI- IMPERIALIST" ACTIVITIES, AND STRENGTHENED SOCIALIST- COMMUNIST UNITY. DOCUMENT CLAIMED ANY ATTEMPT TO SET UP " ALTERNATIVE POLE" OUTSIDE OF UP (AS ADVOCATED BY MIR AND OTHERS) WOULD ONLY " DIVIDE WORKING CLASS AND PARALYZE THE REVOLUTION." PS CITED CURRENT US SENATE HEARINGS ON ITT AND NOTED PARTY

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MAY AUTHOR A DOCUMENT ON INVOLVEMENT OF OPPOSITION POLITICIANS,
ESPECIALLY CHRISTIAN DEMOCRATS, WITH ITT.

2. IN SHORT QUESTION PERIOD, ALTAMIRANO DENIED ANY GOVT DISPUTE
WITH CATHOLIC CHURCH OVER GOVT' S EDUCATION REFORM PROPOSAL, DE-
PRECATED OPPOSITION PRESS REPORTS OF OUSTERS FROM PS POLITICAL
COMMISSION (REFTTEL), AFFIRMED THAT SOME " SMALL CHANGES" IN RE-
SPONSIBILITIES FOR PARTY FUNCTIONS HAD BEEN APPROVED " UNANIMOUSLY,"
AND CONCURRED GENERALLY WITH ALLENDE' S STATEMENT DENOUNCING
SEIZURES OF FACTORIES AND GOVT OFFICES (SEPTTEL). WHEN SENATE IM-
PEACHES SANTIAGO INTENDENTE JAIME FAIVOVICH , SAID ALTAMIRANO, HE
WILL BE GIVEN NEW AND MORE IMPORTANT DUTIES; ALTAMIRANO DID NOT
SPECIFY IF THESE DUTIES WOULD BE IN ANOTHER GOVT POST OR WITHIN PS.
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